

the voices in the parlor, the man deservingly swung his bat until his victim was rendered helpless on the floor, when he made his escape by the front door, leaving it open.

Carried into the bedroom, the girl, at first hysterical, lapsed into unconsciousness before aid could be summoned.

Skull May Not Be Fractured.
Dr. B. L. Tallafiero, of No. 8013 East Broad Street, was hastily summoned by the neighbors, and treated the injured girl. He said last night he could not speak finally as to the extent of the injuries. "She is evidently badly shocked and must be very quiet," he said. "There is a slight blow on the head, but no means the full force of a baseball bat. She was apparently rational when I left her, but I could not say as yet whether the skull is fractured. The symptoms in the morning will show. If there is no fracture, the wound on the head will be slight. There is evidence of a blow over the abdomen, the extent of which I cannot say positively at present. This blow may have been caused by her running into a door."

Investigation by the Police Department last night was limited to a thorough inspection of the premises and neighborhood, under direction of Police Officer Werner.

Dr. Tallafiero advised against any extended examination of the girl by the detectives last night, so that the girl might be able to secure the aid of the man. Further efforts to secure data will be made this morning, when it is expected that Miss Jones will be able to describe her assailant. A police guard was kept in the neighborhood all night, the neighbors being much alarmed. House of the house, early this morning, and admission denied even to porters bringing the last rush of Christmas bundles.

Mr. Jones said last night that she and Mr. Jones strongly suspected a negro, who was familiar with the arrangement of the house. Early this morning Miss Jones was conscious and apparently resting comfortably.

WOULD JAIL RICH MAN

Chicago Paper Says That Is What President Roosevelt Desires.

WASHINGTON, December 24.—The Chicago Inter-Ocean in a dispatch from this city says:

"The preparations of the United States District Attorney's office in Chicago to proceed against Nelson Morris & Co., packers, have apparently a deep and far-reaching significance. The first purpose of these proceedings is undoubtedly to reach Edward Morris personally and to fix upon him some criminal responsibility in the matter of rebates. In this particular case it is undoubtedly the aim of the government to indict and convict Mr. Morris himself. In other words, unless all signs fail, the Department of Justice will use its utmost endeavor to send Mr. Morris to the penitentiary."

"Whether Mr. Morris will be the only object of this Federal prosecution remains to be seen. For some time, however, the reports have been current that Mr. Roosevelt intended, before the close of his administration, to use all his power to send some 'malefactor of great wealth' to the penitentiary."

"How many he would direct the Department of Justice to proceed against has been uncertain. The commonest report has been that he had picked ten or twelve men whom he wished



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MEN & BOY'S OUTFITTERS

to have indicted, all of them from the ranks of the 'criminal rich'. Most of these were supposed to be New Yorkers or financiers who have their headquarters in New York.

"Of course, it is generally understood that Mr. Roosevelt does not expect to go very far with these criminal proceedings before March 4th, when he will leave his office. It is expected, nevertheless, that several indictments can be found within the remaining ten weeks of his term. The trials on the indictments then will reach over into Taft's administration. Mr. Roosevelt's friends forecast the course of events about in this fashion:

"Mr. Roosevelt, by securing ten or twelve indictments of the 'criminal rich', will be enabled to finish his administration in what his admirers and he himself consider a blaze of glory. The business of making the indictments stand will then go over into Mr. Taft's hands, or the hands of his administration, while Mr. Roosevelt goes to Africa."

"If the indictments are made to stand and some of the 'criminal rich' sent to the penitentiary, the supposed glory of outliving the whole program and starting up the machinery of justice will be appropriated by Mr. Roosevelt and his friends. If, on the other hand, the indictments cannot be made to stand, the supposed obsequy of letting a rich man stay out of jail will be unloaded on the Taft administration. In either case Mr. Roosevelt will feel that he wins."

As to why Morris was selected, the Inter-Ocean dispatch says: "The most common explanation of this feature of the campaign was that Mr. Roosevelt was especially embittered against the Chicago packers on account of their having defeated his previous efforts to jail them, and that, therefore, he regarded it as appropriate to let them be first to feel the full strength of his final resentment."

"It is a matter of general knowledge in Washington that Mr. Roosevelt would feel far better satisfied with his administration if, before leaving office, he could start some very rich man for the penitentiary. For almost four years it has been a monomania with him to put some 'malefactor of great wealth' in jail."

"Nothing has so aroused his resentment as the fact that, with all his agitations and prosecutions and with

all his threats of dire punishment, he never yet has placed a rich man behind the bars."

"During the panic and for many months thereafter there was no attack that he resented so much as that contained in the statement that the President had brought all sorts of troubles upon the finance and industry of the country, and had closed half the factories, without ever once accomplishing his declared purpose of imprisoning a 'malefactor of great wealth'."

"During Mr. Taft's campaign Mr. Roosevelt for various reasons abstained from pressing his onslaughts on the 'criminal rich'. Many of his friends, especially those in New York, supposed that he had given up all hope of placing a conspicuous financier or several conspicuous financiers behind penitentiary walls."

"No sooner was the election over, however, than Mr. Roosevelt is said to have returned to his pet ambition. Of the plans and conferences that followed the present proceedings against Morris & Co., and especially against Edward Morris, are supposed to be the first fruits."

ENDS LONG TRAMP

Soldier, Pardoned After Court-Martial, Has Terrible Experience.

NEW YORK, December 24.—Alfred Fields Rhodes, thirty-nine years old, enlisted in Company F, of the Fifteenth Infantry, in 1898, and who was court-martialed and sentenced to fifty years' imprisonment for killing a native in the Philippine Islands who tried to take his gun away from him while he was doing sentry duty, tramped into Mount Vernon Tuesday, after suffering many days of torture.

Through the efforts of Congressman Angus, President Roosevelt pardoned Rhodes on November 6, 1907, after he had been a prisoner on Alcatraz Island, in the harbor of San Francisco. After his release he was ill for months in a San Francisco hospital, his illness being due both to wounds and a fever contracted in the islands.

A month and a half ago he left San Francisco with only \$5, which had been given him, and started on the journey to New York. He suffered hunger and all kinds of hardships, made his way on foot for nearly 500 miles, and rode on freight trains and with teamsters.

When he left Mount Vernon, Rhodes was a stalwart young man. Now his hair is gray, and in other ways he shows the effects of his terrible experience. Tuesday night he sought a lodging at Mount Vernon police headquarters, and was arraigned yesterday morning in Special Sessions on a charge of vagrancy and allowed to go on suspended sentence. Friends

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Showers and warmer Friday; Saturday fair and cooler; fresh southwest to west winds. North Carolina—Dearly cloudy and rainy Friday; Saturday fair and cooler; fresh southwest to west winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.

8 A. M. temperature.....	21
Humidity.....	97
Wind, direction.....	S.
Wind, velocity.....	8
Rainfall.....	Cloudy
12 noon temperature.....	0.00
3 P. M. temperature.....	35
Maximum temperature up to 5 P. M.	35
Minimum temperature up to 5 P. M.	23
Normal temperature.....	53
Deficiency in temperature yesterday	11
Excess in temperature since March 1st.	67
Accum. deficiency in temperature since January 1st.....	3.50
Excess in rainfall since March 1st.	9.50
Accum. excess in rainfall since January 1st.....	11.55

COND. P. M., Eastern Standard Time.

Place.	Ther.	W. Weather.
Augusta.....	50	Cloudy
Atlanta.....	50	Cloudy
Buffalo.....	40	Clear
Charlotte.....	40	P. cloudy
Chicago.....	42	Clear
Cincinnati.....	48	Rain
Davenport.....	36	Clear
Galveston.....	46	Clear
Hartford.....	48	P. cloudy
Jupiter.....	70	Cloudy
Kansas City.....	48	Clear
Key West.....	70	P. cloudy
Memphis.....	58	Clear
Mobile.....	56	Clear
New Orleans.....	60	Clear
St. Louis.....	58	Clear
Oklahoma City.....	52	Clear
Palestine.....	44	Clear
Pittsburg.....	44	Clear
Savannah.....	56	Cloudy
St. Paul.....	24	Cloudy
Norfolk.....	40	Cloudy
Tampa.....	64	Cloudy
Vicksburg.....	62	Clear
Washington.....	34	P. cloudy
Wilmington.....	40	Cloudy
Yellowstone.....	16	Rain

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December 25, 1908.
Sun rises.....7:24
Sun sets.....4:56
Moon sets.....7:23

HIGH TIDE.

Morning.....6:03
Evening.....6:19

GAVE POINTS TO PRESIDENT



SIR HARRY HAMILTON JOHNSTON, noted author, scientist and explorer, who visited President Roosevelt and sold him what to expect in Africa.

FOR INLAND WATERWAY



J. HAMPTON MOORE. He is one of the youngest, but best known members of Congress, and is persistently urging the inside water route from Boston to Key West.

raised a fund to send him to relatives in New Jersey. It was shown when his pardon was granted that he killed the native in the performance of his duty as a soldier.

USED TACK HAMMER

Plucky Young Lady Subdues and Captures a Bold Burglar.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., December 24.—With only a tack hammer as a weapon, Miss Ray Robinson, nineteen years old, subdued a burglar who entered her room at No. 245 South Tenth Street yesterday morning and kept him a prisoner until the landlady could call a policeman.

Warning had been given the roomers in the house that some one, a day before, had tried all the doors with the apparent view of robbery, so Miss Robinson knew when she heard the knob of her door rattle, just what was doing.

Instead of shrieking, she seized the tack hammer and stood to one side. As man opened the door softly and slipped into the room. The young woman seized him with one hand and holding the tack hammer high threatened to pound little holes in his skull if he moved. Then she called Mrs. Madeline Powers and told her to get a policeman.

At the Fifteenth and Locust Street Station the intruder gave his name as Mike Zeers, and said he was from Binghamton, N. Y. He had a watch on his person, which he showed to the police as was taken from Michael Peorkeles, No. 234 South Tenth Street. He was held in \$800 bail.

Less than a year ago Miss Robinson had a similar experience when she was attacked on the doorstep of her home by a negro whom she held until he could be placed under arrest.

MONDAY MORNING

Judge Will Render Decision on Cooper's Application for Bail Then.

NASHVILLE, TENN., December 24.—In the Criminal Court to-day Judge Hart said he would render his decision next Monday morning in the hearing of the application for bail for Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, Robin Cooper and ex-Sheriff John D. Sharp, charged with the murder of Senator Edward Carmack on November 8th last.

TAKES NEW TURN

Fight for Judge of Eastern North Carolina District Is Interesting.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 24.—The contest for the Eastern North Carolina judgeship, held by the late Thomas R. Purnell, of Raleigh, has taken an interesting turn. Judge Spencer B. Adams, of Greensboro, chairman of the Republican State Executive Committee, is a candidate for the place, and has the indorsement of National Committeeman E. C. Duncan. I

HE WEDS ORIGINAL

NEW YORK, December 24.—George McManus, the artist who created the New Yorks, Panhandle Pete, The Jolly Jolly Girls and many other comic series that have appeared in The World for the past four years, was married last night to Miss Florence Berger, the original of "Mrs. Newlywed." The ceremony was performed at the Hotel Belvedere by the Rev. Arthur C. McMillan, rector of the First Presbyterian Church of Yonkers.

OBITUARY

Mrs. A. E. Arnall.
Mrs. A. E. Arnall died yesterday morning at the residence of her son, C. W. Arnall, corner Rosebush Road and Stuart Avenue, at half-past 11 o'clock. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Jonathan Nowell.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
ASHEVILLE, N. C., December 24.—Jonathan Nowell, aged eighty-eight years, veteran of the Mexican and Civil wars, and who sought to enlist for the Spanish-American War, died at the home of his son, Charles Nowell, at West Asheville. He retained full possession of his faculties up to a short time before his death.

Mr. Nowell was a deputy sheriff of Wake county, this State, when troops were mustered in for the Mexican War and enlisted in Company I, of the Twelfth Regiment, composed almost entirely of North Carolinians, and saw much active service during the campaign in Mexico. He participated with General Scott's army in the attack upon the walled heights of Chapultepec, and was one of the intrepid detail which hewed a hole through the castle walls through which the troops entered the fortifications.

When the Civil War broke out, Mr. Nowell enlisted in the Fourteenth North Carolina Regiment, and served throughout the war, seeing much active service with his regiment.

When war was declared against Spain the doughty old veteran, still full of fight, again sought to enlist for active service in Cuba, but was rejected on account of his age.

Mr. Nowell was born in Wake county, N. C., on August 3, 1820, but for many years past had been a resident of Buncombe county. He was the last of the Mexican War veterans in this county.

Charles H. Spritt.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WINCHESTER, Va., December 24.—Charles H. Spritt, a veteran printer, died at the Memorial Hospital in this city to-day, after a brief illness of

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pneumonia, aged seventy-nine years. Mr. Spritt worked on The Virginian in this city before the war, and later served forty-six years as a compositor in the American and Sun offices, Baltimore. Mr. Spritt's wife, who was Miss Elizabeth Allen, of Baltimore, died some years ago. One daughter, Miss Louise Spritt, survives, together with one brother, John W. Spritt, of Boyce, Va.

J. W. Rippy.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BURLINGTON, N. C., December 24.—Mr. J. W. Rippy died at his home, in West Burlington, last night, after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Rippy was about seventy-five years of age and saw forty-six years' service as a railroad engineer on one division of the road. His service record will show that during this period of time not an accident is charged to his negligence or misinterpretation of orders. Funeral services will be held at the Presbyterian Church, and interment in Pine Hill Cemetery.

David S. Forbes.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., December 24.—David S. Forbes, a prominent citizen, died at his home here to-day of apoplexy, and heart trouble, aged seventy-three years. He was the last member of his immediate family, and is survived by a number of nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Ella Bryant.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
PEACH BOTTOM, VA., December 24.—Mrs. Ella Bryant, wife of J. K. Bryant, died at her home, six miles west of Independence, yesterday, following an illness of only a few days. Mrs. Bryant was about fifty years of age. She is survived by her husband and two daughters—Mrs. Dr. S. N. Robinson, of Carroll county, and Mrs. R. C. Fulton, of Grayson.

W. B. Shaw.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
OXFORD, N. C., December 24.—Captain W. B. Shaw, a prominent lawyer of this State, about sixty-five years of age, died suddenly at the residence of his son, H. M. Shaw, this morning. Burial will be at Henderson, N. C., tomorrow evening.

Joseph Rosenbacher.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., December 24.—Joseph Rosenbacher, a prominent

IN MEMORIAM

CHAISEA.—In sad but loving remembrance of my dear mother, MARY T. CHAISEA, who died nine years ago, to-day, December 25, 1899.

Gone but not forgotten.

By her daughter, MRS. W. O. RANDLETT.

DEATHS

ARNALL.—Died, December 24th, at 11:30 A. M., at the residence of her son, C. W. Arnall, corner Rosebush Road and Stuart Avenue, Mrs. A. E. Arnall. Funeral notice later.

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